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4. Only 10,000 of the 100,000 metric tons of potatoes which were to be exported by the end of the third quarter of 1952 were actually shipped. The remaining 90,000 tons are to be delivered starting 10 October. Berlin is to receive 21,300 tons from Brandenburg, 12,500 tons from Mecklenburg, and 25,600 tons from Saxony-Anhalt - a total of 70,000 tons; Mecklenburg is to export 20,000 tons to Hungary.
5. It was impossible to begin storing potatoes on 1 September as planned, since the population at that time still refused to accept storage potatoes. Potato storage did, however, begin on 20 September. By the end of September results were generally satisfactory; in Saxony-Anhalt and Berlin, it was expected that storage would be completed by the end of October or the beginning of November. It was therefore possible on 1 October to permit the producers to begin direct storing as planned. Between 5 and 15 October, a serious shortage of railroad cars caused difficulties which may endanger plans to supply the population with stored potatoes.

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1.   Comment:   for lower figures of fulfillment from Land Brandenburg on 10 October 1952.

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